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SUBJECT: UN ENTRY OF TWO GERMAN STATES: BERLIN

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SUMMARY. HANDLING OF BERLIN IN UNGA DEBATE DOMINATED AUGUST 29 BONN GROUP DISCUSSION OF UN ENTRY OF THE TWO GERMAN STATES, WITH FONOFF REPS CONTINUING TO PRESS FOR ANSWER TO MALIK LETTER ON FRG REPRESENTATION OF WEST BERLIN'S INTERESTS. ACTION REQUESTED: TIME IS RUNNING SHORT BEFORE UN DUE TO BEGIN CONSIDERATION OF GERMAN APPLICATIONS. PARTICULARLY IF ALLIED AND FRG STATEMENTS ON BERLIN AND GERMANY ARE TO BE COORDINATED IN BONN GROUP WE WILL NEED DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE AT EARLY DATE ON ISSUES RAISED PARA 6 BELOW. END SUMMARY.

1. THE UK REP (CROMARTIE) SAID HE HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM FCO ON ISSUES RAISED REF B. CROMARTIE REPORTED HIS AUTHORITIES AGREED WITH FRG THAT THERE
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SHOULD BE AS MANY SPONSORS FOR SINGLE GERMAN RESOLUTION AS POSSIBLE. FCO BELIEVED THERE WAS NO NEED FOR SUB-

STANTIVE TREATMENT OF GERMANY AS A WHOLE IN ALLIED STATEMENTS. CONCERNING BERLIN, FCO VIEW WAS THAT WHILE A BRIEF, NON-CONTENTIOUS STATEMENT BY ONE ALLY ALONG THE LINES PARA 3, BONN 9899, SUPPORTED SUBSEQUENTLY BY OTHERS, WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE, THE FCO COULD LIVE WITH NO SUBSTANTIVE REFERENCE TO BERLIN AT ALL. CROMARTIE REPORTED THE FCO WOULD ALSO PREFER THAT BRANDT/SCHEEL SPEECHES NOT BELABOR SUBJECT OF BERLIN, HOPEFULLY BEING CONFINED TO STATEMENTS ALREADY ON THE RECORD, SUCH AS THE SCHEEL LETTER AND THE BRANDT-BREZHNEV COMMUNIQUE OF MAY 21 (BONN 7321). NEED FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS, IN BRITISH VIEW, WOULD DEPEND ON WHAT FRG INTENDED TO SAY DURING UNGA DEBATE.

2. THE FRENCH (PAYE) AND US REPS SAID THEY WERE WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS. PAYE COMMENTED THAT HIS AUTHORITIES IN PARIS PREFERRED TO AWAIT RESULTS OF FONOFF POLITICAL DIRECTOR VAN WELL'S PRESENTATION TO ALLIED MINISTERS AUGUST 30 ON MALIK LETTER (BEING REPORTED SEPTTEL). PAYE DID, HOWEVER, REITERATE FRENCH UNWILLINGNESS TO ENGAGE SOVIETS IN CONTENTIOUS DISCUSSION OF BERLIN IN UN FORUM.

3. THE FONOFF REP (BLECH) SAID THAT ALTHOUGH FRG AWARE OF ALLIED VIEWS ON ANSWERING THE MALIK LETTER, HIS AUTHORITIES WERE NOW MORE THAN EVER CONVINCED THAT SOME FORM OF ALLIED REPLY WAS NECESSARY. BLECH SAID FONMIN SCHEEL HAD RECENTLY BEGUN TO FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT THE MATTER, PARTICULARLY IN THE LIGHT OF THE RECENT PROBLEMS FRG HAS HAD WITH EE'S ON CONSULAR REPRESENTATION OF WEST BERLINERS. BLECH SAID HE EXPECTED THAT VAN WELL'S PRESENTATION TO ALLIES WOULD REFLECT THIS HIGH-LEVEL CONCERN.

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4. BLECH SAID BERLIN WOULD PROBABLY APPEAR TWICE IN FRG SPEECHES: (A) BERLIN WOULD BE MENTIONED IN CONNECTION WITH QA AS PART OF DETENTE PROCESS IN EUROPE (THIS WOULD BE NON-CONTENTIOUS, BLECH BELIEVED); (B) FRG REPRESENTATION OF BERLIN ABROAD. BLECH SAID FRG VIEW IS NOW NOT TO GO INTO DETAIL ON THIS QUESTION, BUT RATHER TO TREAT IT AS A MATTER OF COURSE. BLECH SAID FRG ANXIOUS TO AVOID IMPRESSION THAT IT HAS SOMETHING TO PROVE IN THIS CONNECTION.

5. IT WAS GENERALLY AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF SPEECHES IN UN DEBATE. BLECH SUGGESTED IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO DO THIS BY PRIOR AGREEMENT WITH SOVIETS IN NEW YORK THAT ONLY A FEW MEMBERS OF EAST AND WEST BLOCS WOULD HOLD FORTH DURING DEBATE. ALLIED REPS AGREED TO RECOMMEND TO THEIR AUTHORITIES THAT, IF UN MISSIONS BELIEVED IT FEASIBLE, THE PROPOSAL BE BROACHED WITH SOVIETS IN NEW YORK.

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6. ACTION REQUESTED: WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE ON FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. GENERAL THOUGHTS ON TREATMENT OF BERLIN AND GERMAN QUESTIONS IN US SECRETARY OF STATE'S UNGA SPEECH ON GERMAN ENTRY. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THAT EARLIER BONN GROUP AGREED TEXT FOR USE IN SC CONTEXT (ANNEX D, BONN 8281 MIGHT SERVE AS USEFUL BASIS FOR ALLIES' UNGA SPEECHES ON BERLIN. WE ARE INCLINED TO SHARE BRITISH VIEWS ON INADVISABILITY OF REFERRING TO GERMANY AS A WHOLE.

B. CONSULTATIONS WITH SOVIETS. SUCH CONSULTATIONS WOULD PRESUMABLY INVOLVE DISCUSSION OF LIMITING NUMBER

OF SPEECHES AND OTHER PROCEDURAL MATTERS. COMMENT:
DISCUSSION OF MATTERS OF SUBSTANCE SUCH AS REPRESENTATION
OF THE INTERESTS OF WSB BY FRG ABROAD IS OF COURSE
ANOTHER MATTER ENTIRELY. OUR OWN VIEW IS THAT SUCH
DISCUSSION MIGHT NOT BE PARTICULARLY USEFUL.
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